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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in the amount of \$155.

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